CONSTRUCTION

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4.5 PREPARE FOR PRECONSTRUCTION CONFERENCE **TOPIC:**

Pages 4-20 to 4-24 Ref:

Upon completion of this lesson topic students should be able to prepare for a Preconstruction Conference: **Objective:**

Determine if one is to be held. Establish the date.

Identify any approvals or submissions required prior to the conference.

Prepare agenda.

Identify and notify all attendees.

10:20 - 10:40 Time:

Method: Directed Discussion

LESSON PLAN

REF	STEPS IN PRESENTING THE TOPIC	INSTRUCTOR NOTES
	4.5 PREPARE FOR PRECONSTRUCTION CONFERENCE FAR 36.212* refers to preconstruction orientation of contractors.	
?	• Question: "What would be the reasons for preconstruction orientation, which, can be either an explanatory letter or a preconstruction conference?" [Solicit answers from the class before providing your own]	
	Answer: Preconstruction Orientation aids both the Government and contractor to:	
	* Achieve a clear and mutual understanding of contract requirements, and	
	* Identify and resolve potential problems.	



*Note: "The Contracting Officer will inform the successful offeror of ...statutory matters such as labor standards and subcontracting plan requirements and ...who has authority to decide matters such as contractual, administrative, and construction responsibilities."

Ref.	Steps In Presenting The Topic	Instructor Notes
?	• Question: What is the purpose of the Copeland Act?	
	Answer: Prohibit contractors from demanding and receiving kickbacks from their employees.	
	The Davis-Bacon Act covers only public works construction contracts in excess of \$2,000. The Copeland Act covers not only those employees covered by the Davis Bacon Act but ALL employees on public works, including those financed in whole, or in part by loans, grants, etc., from the Federal Government.	
	The Copeland Act requires that a "Statement of Compliance" be submitted with each payroll attesting to the accuracy of payroll data and adherence to the labor statutes.	



240 U.S.C. 327 (1988)

Question:

Ask the class to describe the provisions of the Contract Work-Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is applicable to all construction contracts.

Ref.	Step	os In Presenting The Topic	Instructor Notes
		SSROOM EXERCISE CE-6.2 "PAYMENT INVOICE" (THREE PARTS)	
	Method:	Group Exercise	
	Purpose:	To give students practice in reviewing and approving invoices for payment.	
	 Introduction: The payment invoice exercise is broken down into three segments which will be referred to as Parts A, B, and C. Part A consists of a review of a Schedule of Prices which the contractor has submitted. Parts B and C introduce the contractor's invoices 		
	Prior to complet	ting each one of the exercises, students the information material which is supplied.	
	Instruction: Instruct students to form into small groups and appoint a person within their group as the Contracting Officer. The findings of the group should be a consensus of the group. Tell them that the individual appointed as group leader will play the role of Contracting Officer and will be the decision maker of the group on matters which would, in a real life situation, need the concurrence of a Contracting Officer, or in matters in which the group may not all agree.		NOTE: This Schedule of Prices for the ACE Construction Company is not related to the ACE bid of over \$1.1 million used in Lesson 3.

Ref.	Steps In Presenting The Topic	Instructor Notes
	INSTRUCTION	
	CE-6.2, PART A	
	SCHEDULE OF PRICES REVIEW	
	Part A is a thorough review of the Schedule of Prices. The groups are to review the Schedule of Prices Check List and note any deficiences in the Schedule of Prices submitted by the Contractor.	
	Tell the groups to record their findings on the Summary Sheet and be prepared to discuss their findings at the conclusion of the exercise.	
	Given:	
	On January 21, 1991, ACE Construction Company forwarded to you the Schedule of Prices for your approval. (The contract was awarded January 6, 1991.)	
	General Information:	
	The form or the manner in which the contractor submits the schedule is agency specific. The form used in this exercise is a generic one, but similar ones will probably contain the same basic information.	
	Call students attention to the following:	
	Part I of the form contains general and contractual information with the approval signature. Check for appropriate signature.	
	 2. Part II, Block 12; Review in detail, with special attention to: (a) Arithmetic and total + contract price. (b) Units of issue should be correct and measurable in the field, i.e. LF of pipe vs pounds. (c) Prices should not be front end loaded. (d) What action is needed on items described in the schedule as "Move on," "Quality Control," "Misc. Patch," and "Cleanup"? 	

Ref.	Steps In Presenting The Topic	Instructor Notes
	INSTRUCTION	
	CE-6.2, PART A	
	SCHEDULE OF PRICES REVIEW (cont.)	
	Schedule of Prices Check List	
	PART I (Completed by the contractor)	
	 (a) Verify correctness of the information in first three Blocks. (b) Assure that the signature in fourth Block is authorized. (President, Vice-President, Project Manager, etc.) 	
	PART II (Blocks 1 - 11 to be completed by the Gov't.)	
	 (a) Verify correct data input in Blocks 1-9. (b) Block 10 to be completed by the reviewing official. 	
	(c) Block 11 to be signed by approving official.	
	PART II (Block 12 to be completed by the contractor.)	
	(a) General organization category codes listed in the specifications section "General Paragraphs".	
	(b) Check to verify that items for the prime contractor accomplishment total at least 20% of contract value. (In accordance with the "Performance by Contractor" clause.)	
	(c) Check the arithmetic. * Horizontal multiplication and addition. * Vertical addition. * Total vs. contract price.	

Ref.		Steps In Presenting The Topic	Instructor Notes
T		INSTRUCTION	
		CE-6.2, PART A	
	<u>SCI</u>	HEDULE OF PRICES REVIEW (cont.)	
	(d)	Check units of issue and pricing. * Quantities must be consistent with the Government estimate. * Related items must be consistent in quantity.(i.e, number of doors should be consistent with the doorknobs to be used on the doors.) * Units of issue should also be consistent with appropriateness of the type of work (i.e., SF of paint listed in lieu of gallons). * Disallow amounts listed as "lump sum" unless for minor items. (It is too difficult to assess progress for lump sum costs.) * Look for a proper balance between labor and material costs (i.e., 40/60 vice 60/40). * Evaluate unit labor and material prices. Do they appear to be reasonable/accurate?	
	(e)	Any omissions or duplications? (These can easily occur when mobe, demobe are allowed. Also watch carefully earthwork and foundations.)	
	(f)	Look for "front loading" of costs. (i.e., prices for work to be accomplished early in the project which are "puffed up" to provide more cash flow.)	
	(g)	Have costs for items been unbalanced? (This is particularly meaningful for indefinite quantity contracts when contractors may be second guessing the amounts to ordered.)	
	(h)	Mobilization costs. Must be authorized. If so, also allow demobilization.	
	(i)	Premiums for Bonds. They must be billed as a separate item. Contractor must provide evidence of full payment to the surety. (Canceled check will do.)	

Ref.	St	eps In Presenting The Topic	Instructor Notes
		INSTRUCTION	
	SCHE!	DULE OF PRICES REVIEW (cont.)	
	pro	onmeasurable items such as overhead and offit must be spread over ALL measurable ork activities, and not included as separate ms.	
	Pri ab: eac pa ad as	the overall intent is to approve a Schedule of sices which will permit accurate payments via ility to easily measure the field progress for sch item, or activity listed and quantify yment amounts. (It is to the contractor's vantage to break down the schedule as much possible so that we can recognize progress, wever slight, and pay for it.)	

INSTRUCTOR'S KEY TO PAYMENT INVOICE EXERCISE, PART A CE-6.2

SUMMARY ANSWER SHEET

Review of the Schedule of Prices should result in the locating the following discrepancies:

- ① Incomplete signature block.
- ② Submitted late. (Should be within 5 days of date of contract.).
- ③ Front end loaded prices. Bond must be a separate item.
- 4 Wrong extended price. Should be \$1900.
- \odot "Raise manholes." Priced out as one job. Should be broken out, i.e., 2 ea manholes, unit cost of \$200, total of \$400 for material. Labor \$300 x 2 = \$600. Total would be \$1,000.
- © Unit of issue is wrong. (Items 5, 6, 7, 14, 19)
- 7 Wood Doors: Labor cost included for only one door.
- ® CQC, Field Trailer, Pick-up Truck, and Miscellaneous items cannot be included as separate line items as they are accounted for as overhead. (These should have been pro-rated and extended over the entire Schedule of Prices.)
- 9 Wrong total.

Ref.	Steps In Presenting The Topic	Instructor Notes
	INSTRUCTION	
	CE-6.2, PART B	
	FIRST PAYMENT REVIEW	
	Given: Your construction representative gives you the "Field Pay Estimate Worksheets" shown as CE-6.2. These prices are based on the solutions to Part "A" of the exercise. All percentages have been agreed upon with the contractor's superintendent.	
	On March 3, 1991, the contractor submits an invoice.	
	Required: Complete Invoice form provided in CE-6.2 taking the following into consideration:	(Note that overhead items have been deleted.)
	 Assume that the <u>contractor agrees to the amount as shown</u> on the Field Pay Estimate Worksheet. The first invoice paid \$1,900 for bonds only. For retention, assume that the prime contractor is on schedule and no problems have arisen on the job. There is a 15 day delay in contract start for Performance and Payment bond approval. 	

INSTRUCTOR'S KEY CE-6.2, PART B CONTRACTOR'S INVOICE

			<u>MAR 2, 1991</u> NUMBER <u> 2 </u>
FROM: TO: Construction Contract Administration Office VIA:			
1. Below is a Statement of Performance under Contract	47408	-90-C-492	at (Station):
Contracting Office, Seaside, CA			
The enclosure provides breakdown of this statement of perfor	rmance.		
A. Total value of contract through change B. Percentage of performance complete			181,089
C. Value of completed Performance			40,923
D. Less: Total of prior invoices (Bonds)E. Amount this invoice		\$ \$	1,900 39,023
Signature and Title			
FROM:Construction Office, Seaside, CA TO:Payment Center 1. Payment is recommended as follows:			
A. Amount of work completed to <u>Mar 2, 1991</u> B. Less:	\$	40,92	3
Retention		0	
Other Deductions \$ NONE	\$	40.0	
C. Sub-total		40,9 1,900	
D. Less previous payments E. Recommended amount for2nd payment.	\$ \$	39,023	
2. Elapsed contract time40%	Ψ	33,023	
3. INSTRUCTOR COMMENTS: Contract awarded Jan 6 + 15 days for (Performance and F 100) Pursuant to authority vested in me, I certify that this invoice			
Date Signature and Authorized Certifyi			
ACRN APPN/SUBHEAD OC BCN SA AAA II	PAA	COST CODE	<u>AMOUNT</u>

INSTRUCTOR'S KEY CE-6.2, PART B CONTRACTOR'S INVOICE

Additional Information for the Instructor

Payment for Materials:

- * On Site Materials (but not installed.)
 You may authorize on-site materials. However, the contractor must produce a paid invoice indicating how much was paid, and when it was paid. (The reviewer must be sure that the contractor has clear title. In addition, the contractor must demonstrate that he has established procedures to protect, control, and account for this material.)
- * Materials Stored Off-Site.

 Not authorized unless allowed in the General or Additional General Provisions of the specification. If authorized the following rules apply:
 - 1. Material will be stored in a reasonable proximity to the job site.
 - 2. Transportation hazards to the job site must be minimized. (Once the Government authorizes payment, the Government OWNS the material. Therefore we must be sensitive to see to it that the material is protected.)
 - 3. Contractor must demonstrate clear title to the material.
 - 4. Materials are insured and protected from theft and the elements.
 - 5. Materials must not be susceptible to deterioration or damage. (Plate glass would not be a good risk, neither would concrete mix if it is to be stored through the winter months.)
 - 6. No material is to be paid for if it is in transit. (Precludes any "the checks in the mail" situations from happening.)

Payment for Bonds:

* Payment for bonds may be authorized.
Check calculations. Review the bonds which were issued and verify cost. (You will find it listed on the back side of the Performance Bond.) (In this case it is \$1900.)
Require evidence that the bonding company has been paid. (Receipt.)

Administrative Procedures:

- * Contractor's Invoice and Attachments: When an invoice is received it should be accompanied by the following:
 - 1. Annotated Contractor Performance Statement. This may be accomplished by using a copy of the Schedule of Prices, marked up and annotated with progress. It could also be in the form of a computer generated report or some similar document. It should also contain the Government Inspector's (Conrep's) concurrence. (Rely on agency procedures.) Some agencies require a separate report to be filed by the Government representative or inspector.
 - 2. Progress Chart Update. This should reflect the contractor's best estimate of its schedule.
 - The invoice should also be accompanied by a Certification that:
 - The amounts are only for work performed.
 - Subcontractors have been paid, and
 - The invoice does not include any amounts that are being withheld from a subcontractor.

Ref.	Steps In Presenting The Topic	Instructor Notes
	INSTRUCTION CE-6.2, PART C	
	SECOND PAYMENT REVIEW	
	On April 3, 1991, your construction representative gives you the "Field Pay Estimate Worksheet. These prices are based upon the corrected Schedule of Prices which are provided in the exercise. All percentages have been agreed upon with the contractor's superintendent.	
Ę	Note: Prior to proceeding with the exercise go over the information provided on the next page regarding retainage accumulation.	
	On April 5, 1991, the contractor submits an invoice with his Contractors Performance Statements as justification for his invoice.	
	You are required to complete the Invoice form taking the following into consideration: * Assume that there is a disagreement between the Contracting Officer and the contractor for work not satisfactory in accordance with plans and specifications. * Also the contractor has underpaid an employee \$200.00.	
	At the conclusion of the allotted time for Part "C", ask each spokesperson to report their findings, rotate the answers among the groups. Discuss the correct answers using the Key to the Exercise.	

INSTRUCTOR'S LESSON

RETAINAGE ACCUMULATES

CE-6.2, PART C

EXAMPLE:

Given:	\$100,000 contract	- 50% com	plete and	paid to date.

Paid to date

\$100,000 contract - 50% complete	and paid to t	date.
The next Invoice is for:	\$10,000	
Completed work in place (WIP)	\$60,000	
Less	_1,000	10% Retention for poor workmanship
	\$59,000	
Less	50,000	Prior payments
	\$ 9,000	
The next invoice is also for	\$10,000	
Completed work in place (WIP)	\$70,000	
Less (1000 +1000 carryover)	2,000	10% Retention for poor workmanship
	\$68,000	
Less	59,000	Prior payments
	\$ 9,000	
The next invoice is also for	\$20,000	
Completed work in place (WIP)	\$90,000	
Less (2000+2000 carryover)	4,000	10% Retention for poor workmanship
	\$86,000	
Less	68,000	Prior payments
	\$18,000	
Completed work in place	\$90,000	

\$86,000

CE-6.2, PART C

CONTRACTOR'S INVOICE

			TE <u>APR 5, 1991</u> NUMBER <u> 3 </u>
FROM: TO: Construction Contract Adminis VIA:	stration Office		
1. Below is a Statement of Performance	under Contract	47408-90-C-492	2 at (Station):
Contracting Office, Seas	de, CA		
The enclosure provides breakdown of this st	atement of perfor	mance.	
A. Total value of contract through chang	ge	\$	181,089
B. Percentage of performance complete			<u>45.5</u> %
C. Value of completed Performance		\$_	82,446
D. Less: Total of prior invoices		\$ _	40,923
E. Amount this invoice		\$ _	41,523
	ind Title		
FIRST ENDORSEMENT FROM: Construction Office, Poi TO: Payment Center	·		
A. Amount of work completed to APR B. Less: Retention Other Deductions C. Sub-total D. Less previous payments E. Recommended amount for		\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	
2. Elapsed contract time	%		
3.			
Signature and Title			
Pursuant to authority vested in me, I certify	y that this invoice	e is correct and pro	oper for payment.
Date	Signature and 1 Authorized Certifyir		
_ACRN APPN/SUBHEAD OC BCN SA	AAA <u>TT</u>	PAA COST COE	DE AMOUNT

CE-6.2

SCHEDULE OF PRICES FOR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AS CORRECTED

PART	I//To be	completed	by contractor	٠١

ACTIVITY AND LOCATION

Contracts Office, Seaside, CA

TITLE OF CONTRACT AND SITE LOCATION

Construction Access Road to Bldg. 560, Seaside, CA

NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONTRACTOR

ACE Construction Company

SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF CONTRACTOR'S AGENT

J.M. Davis

J. M. DAVIS, Owner, ACE Construction Company

| PART II (To be completed by Government) | 1. CONTRACT NO. | 2. DATE OF CONTRACT | 3. CONTRACT PRICE | 4. 2ND LOW BID | 5. HIGH BID | 6. NO. OF BIDDERS | 47408-90-C-492 | JAN 6, 1991 | \$181,089 | \$185,370 | \$208,499 | 4

7. ALLOTMENT OR ALLOCATION NO. 8. APPROPRIATION TITLE

9. TIME FOR COMPLETION (Hours) 10. REVIEWED & FORWARDED (Date) 11. SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER

100 days

100 days		ı c. QU/	ANTITIES	ı d. MATE	RIAL COST	e. LABO	R COST	
ITEM	B. DESCRIPTION OF ITEM	NO. OF				0		
NO.	2. 22001 Hold of H2	UNITS	UNIT	UNIT COST	COST	UNIT COST	COST	f. TOTAL COST
1.	Bond	L. S.			1,900			1,900
2.	Demolition:	530	TON	0	0	8	4,240	4,240
3.	Remove Asphalt	9	EA	0	0	23	207	207
4.	Raise Manholes	2	EA	200	400	300	600	1,000
	Sitework:				.00			1,000
5.	Import Fill	500	CY	13.8	6,900	0.2	100	7,000
6.	Grade & Compact	50,000	SF	0	0	0.18	9,000	9,000
7.	Asphalt Paving	48,000	SF	1.01	48,480	0.18	8,640	57,120
8.	Striping	L.S.		170	170	1,700	1,700	1,870
9.	Post Mounted SN	2	EA	170	340	56	112	452
10.	Chain Link Fence	115	LF	60	6,900	24	2,760	9,660
	Concrete:				-,,,		_,,	,,,,,,,,
11.	Foundation	1	EA	1,795	1,795	1,680	1,680	3,475
12.	Textured Concrete	1,660	SF	2	3,320	3.5	5,810	9,130
13.	Catch Basin	1	EA	3,600	3,600	1,300	1,300	4,900
14.	Concrete Band	235	LF	2.3	540.5	12	2,820	3,360.5
15.	Sidewalk & Ramp	350	SF	1.14	399	4.5	1,575	1,974
16.	Curb & Gutter	240	LF	4.78	1,148	20	4,800	5,948.33
17.	Curbs	212	LF	4.5	954	10	2,120	3,074
- / •	<u>Structural</u>				, ,		_,1_0	2,07.
18.	Masonry	270	SF	6.8	1,836	12	3,240	5,076
19.	Structural Steel	100	LBS	1.15	115	2	200	315
20.	Misc. Metals	L.S.	~	227	227	113	113	340
21.	Rough Carpentry	500	BF	3.4	1,700	2	1,000	2,700
22.	Finish Carpentry	L.S.		1,022	1,022	1,360	1,360	2,382
23.	Cabinets/Counter		EA	1,136	1,136	200	200	1,336
24.	Shake Roof	288	SF	2.8	806.4	4.5	1,296	2,102.4
25.	Sheet Metal	62	LF	0.6	37.2	1	62	99.2
26.	Sealants	L.S.		170	170	100	100	270
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SCHEDULE OF PRICES FOR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AS CORRECTED

	AS CORRECTED												
	PART I (To be completed by contractor)												
	ACTIVITY AND LOCATION Contracts Office, Seaside, CA												
TITLE OF	TITLE OF CONTRACT AND SITE LOCATION												
	Construct Access Road to Bldg. 560												
	NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONTRACTOR ACE Construction Company												
SIGNATI	SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF CONTRACTOR'S AGENT												
	J.M. DAVIS J.M. DAVIS, Owner, ACE Construction PART II (To be completed by Government)												
	1. CONTRACT NO. 2. DATE OF CONTRACT 3. CONTRACT PRICE 4. 2ND LOW BID 5. HIGH BID 6. NO OF BIDDERS												
					\$181,089		\$1	85,370	\$208,499	4			
7. ALLO	7. ALLOTMENT OR ALLOCATION NO. 8. APPROPRIATION TITLE												
		. REVI	EWED AND I	FORWARD	ED (Date)	11. SIGNA	TURE	OF CONTRACTIN	IG OFFICER				
1 12.a	00 days		c. QUANT	TTIEC	d. MATERI	AL COST		e. LABOR O	COST	<u> </u>			
ITEM NO.	b. DESCRIPTION OF ITEM		NO. OF UNITS	UNIT	UNIT COST	COST		UNIT COST	COST	F. TOTAL COST			
27.	Wood Doors		3	EA	114	34	12	450	1,350	1,692			
28.	Aluminum Window		1	EA	91		91	45	45	136			
29.	Glazing		125	SF	14	1,75	50	13	1,625	3,375			
30.	Locksets		5	EA	175	87	15			875			
31.	Gypsum Board		142	LF	0.55	7	⁷ 8	1.5	213	291			
32.	Painting		670	SF	0.25	16	58	0.80	536	704			
33.	Toilet Access		3	EA	45	13	35	20	60	195			
34.	Stucco		8	SY	5	4	Ю	290	2320	2360			
35.	Ceramic Tile		6	LF	5.5	3	3	10	60	93			
36.	Water & Waste RG	Н	L.S.		1,030	1,03	80	1,097	1,097	2,127			
37.	Sewer Line		36	LF	6	21	6	40	1,440	1,656			
38.	Water Line		60	LF	6	36	50	25	1,500	1,860			
39.	Fixtures		3	EA	340	1,02	20	400	1,200	2,220			
40.	OH Electric		L.S.		6,200	6,20	00	7,048	7,048	13,248			
41.	U.G. Electric		L. S.		2,840	2,84	10	3,970	3,970	6,810			
42.	Outlets, Fixtures		6	EA	227	1,36	52	400	2,400	3,762			
43.	Panel Board		1	EA	454	45	54	300	300	754			
									TOTAL	181,089			

INSTRUCTOR'S KEY CE-6.2, PART C CONTRACTOR'S INVOICE

	INVOICE DAT	TE <u>APR 5, 1991</u> NUMBER <u> </u>
FROM: TO: Construction Contract Administration Office VIA:	INVOIGE	NOMBER
1. Below is a Statement of Performance under Contract	47408-90-C-49	2 at (Station):
Contracting Office, Seaside, CA		
The enclosure provides breakdown of this statement of perform	mance.	
A. Total value of contract through change B. Percentage of performance complete	\$	181,089 45.5%
C. Value of completed Performance	<u> </u>	82,446
D. Less: Total of prior invoices		40,923
E. Amount this invoice		41,523
Signature and Title		
FIRST ENDORSEMENT FROM: Construction Office, Port Hueneme, C TO: Payment Center 1. Payment is recommended as follows:		APR 1, 1991
A. Amount of work completed to APR 4, 1991 B. Less:	\$ 82,446	
Retention \$ (10%)		
Other Deductions \$ 200 (disallowance)	\$ <u>4,352</u>	
C. Sub-total	\$ 78,094	
D. Less previous payments	\$ <u>40,923</u>	
E. Recommended amount for <u>3rd</u> payment.	\$ 37,171	
2. Elapsed contract time <u>APPROX 70%</u>		
3. SIGNATURE AND TITLE		
Pursuant to authority vested in me, I certify that this invoice	is correct and pro	oper for payment.
Date Signature and		
1 Authorized Certifyin ACRN APPN/SUBHEAD OC BCN SA AAA II	ng Official <u>PAA</u> <u>COST COI</u>	

CE-7.4

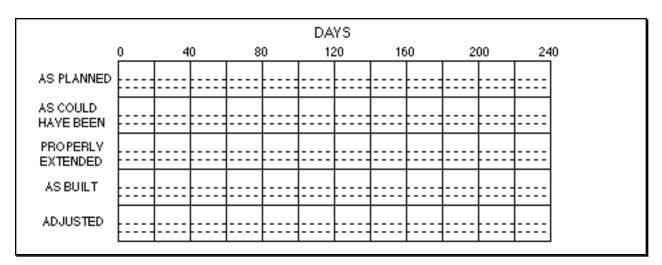
1. Sketch out the "history of delays" of the project on the following :

				-		DA	<u> YS</u>						
0)	4	0	8	0	12	:0	16	0	20	00	24	10

2. Determine the following:

Contractor Caused Delays	Days
Government Caused Delays	Days
Excusable Delays	Days
Concurrent Delays	Days
	Government Caused Delays Excusable Delays Concurrent Delays

3. Draw the time analysis schedules on the following:



4. Determine the following:

a.	Days Time Extension	Days
b.	Days Extended Overhead	Days
C.	Days Liquidated Damages	Days

INSTRUCTOR'S KEY TO CE 7.4 (Graph Solutions on Viewgraphs)

1. Sketch out the "history of delays" of the project on the following (VG 7-9):

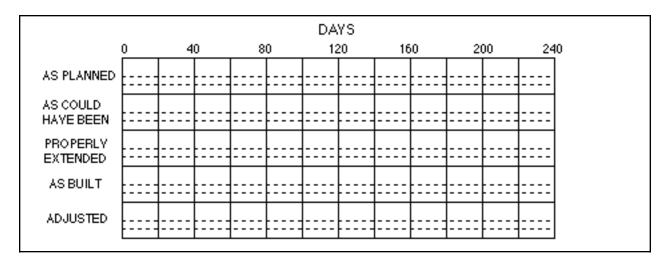
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0	4	0	8	0	12	:0	16	0	20	10	24	10
]

- * Strike is **NOT** a delay since it happens during the Float time.
- 2. Determine the following (VG 7-10):

ANSWER

a.	Contractor Caused Delays	<u>40</u> Days	K = Contractor
b.	Government Caused Delays	<u>20</u> Days	G = Government
C.	Excusable Delays	<u>10</u> Days	E = Excusable
d.	Concurrent Delays	<u>20</u> Days	C = Concurrent

3. Draw the time analysis schedules on the following (VG 7-11):



4. Determine the following (VG 7-12):

ANSWER

REF	STEPS IN PRESENTING THE TOPIC	INSTRUCTOR NOTES
?	 Questions: Can anyone describe the reasons why this isn't always possible? Answer: The main reasons are: It is sometimes impossible to determine all of the relevant material, delay, and labor costs in advance. 	
	2. Delay costs and impact are difficult to assess in advance.	
	In pricing claims for equitable adjustments it is up to the contractor to provide proof that the costs are reasonable. It cannot be based on presumptions.	
?	• Questions: If it is up to the contractor to prove that costs are reasonable, what is the best method of meeting this requirement?	
	Answer: By providing records which have been maintained, segregating the actual costs incurred as a result of the modification.	
Ę	Tell the class: There is more than one method of determining reasonable costs. Some are preferred over others by the Government and the courts.	
	We will briefly explain them here.	
	The least preferred method by the boards is the TOTAL COST METHOD which is described below.	



CLASS EXERCISE CE-8.7, "The Retaining Wall Addition"

Case Study

Time: 3 1/2 hours

Method: Group Participation

Instruction: Students are to be given the assignment for this classroom exercise on the 2nd Monday of classroom study. Tell the class that the assignment is given to them in advance in order for them to do some individual study prior to the actual time for the group classroom exercise which is scheduled for the afternoon of Thursday of the second week of instruction. In order to prepare for the exercise tell the students to read through the exercise.

The exercise is based on the premise that the students have taken courses in, or have a working knowledge of Cost and Price Analysis. It is also based on the premise that they are able to understand the CPM scheduling and methods for determining overhead rates by reading the information contained in Appendix A and B of the Text/Reference. The instructor must be well prepared to offer either individual or group instruction on the exercise during the allotted study period preceding the day of the exercise, or after class, if needed.

On Thursday afternoon at the scheduled time for the exercise, break the students up into their respective groups.



The instructor will lead the class through the exercise step by step so that the students get a feeling for how the process should work.

Start the students off by reviewing the scenario from page CE 8-15. They can get an idea of how much the modification should cost by looking at the original contract requirements and the requirements of the modification.



REF

CLASS EXERCISE CE-8.7, "The Retaining Wall Addition" (Continued)



Lead the class through this logic:

The original contract amount is \$2,287,350 which was for the construction of 1000 feet of seabreak. The scope of the modification indicates that an additional 100 feet of seabreak (retaining wall) is needed. This is a 10% increase over the original contract scope.

As a reference or bench mark we can say that a 10% increase in the scope should translate to a 10% increase in the cost of the work. Therefore, \$2,287,335 x .10 = \$228,734 can be used as a reference or benchmark in determining price reasonableness. Some factors which could reasonably increase or decrease this cost should be discussed at this time, i.e.,

- a. If the modification was not initiated until alter the contractor had started to demob, additional mobilization cost could increase the cost.
- b. If the modification is done immediately alter start-up, the contractor may be experiencing normal start-up delays associated with learning curves and argue for higher cost based on these initial start-up inefficiencies.
- c. If the contractor has run into a lot of unforeseen sight conditions, the price of the modification will be higher in proportion to the changes accumulated on the original work.

Not all modifications will be this straight forward, however, all modifications should be looked at in a general sense before breaking them apart for analysis. **This common sense approach can prevent cost unreasonableness in most situations.**



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Now that we have a reference point tell the students to look at the government estimate.

Have the students turn to page CE 8-33, and as a group start working their way through the Government estimate. The students should be checking to see if the equipment and man hours listed seem reasonable. They should check the mathematical accuracy of the estimate. Allow the class to analyze the estimate for about 20 minutes. During this 20 minutes you may need to answer questions on terminology used in the estimate. Remind the class to pay close attention to the units of measure to ensure they are consistent throughout the estimate. Do some examples of square yards versus square feet and cubic yards and cubic feet. The students should discover that the Government estimate is missing some numbers for the amount of backfill and rip-rap required.

If someone has a problem with the calculation lead the whole class through it.

Give the class 20 minutes to compare the Government Estimate with the Contractor's Proposal (detailed cost breakdown section only). When the students look at the Contractor Proposal bottom line, remind them of the reference amount we came up with earlier in the exercise. Ask them to find, as a group, areas where the two estimates diverge and if there are any reasonable explanations for this divergence. At the end of the 20 minutes, hold discussion on the differences and any reasonable explanations the contractor might come up with.

Lead the class through a determination of the Contractor's field office overhead (FOH) and home office overhead (H00H) based on the information given on pages CE 8-23 and CE 8-25.



Next lead the class through a profit analysis using the weighted guidelines method. Have the class provide the weights and values to be used in the form. Allow discussion of the selected values. Calculate a profit rate and apply it to the estimate correctly.

AUDIT INFORMATION (continued)

- 1. The audit report reflected some differences between the audited rate and the proposed rates on all three categories.
- 2. Neither the proposal or the audit identified costs as "judgmental" or "actual".
- 3. There were no discrepancies concerning units (i.e. cy, cf, etc.) and there were no identifiable "lump sum" costs.
- 4. The audit revealed that adequate subcontractor documentation was sufficient.
- 5. Overhead was found to be broken down between field and home office.
- 6. Labor costs, labor hour discrepancies were noted.
- 7. Material cost discrepancies were also noted.